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SUBJECT: CIVAIR : GOB RESPONSE TO U.S. INVITATION TO
RESUME CIVAIR BILATERALS IN WASHINGTON

REF: A) BRUSSELS 10428, B) STATE 136942

1. EMBASSY RECEIVED FOLLOWING LETTER FROM MINISTRY OF
FOREIGN AFFAIRS (DECASTIAUX) ON JUNE 6, ACCEPTING
INVITATION TO RESUME CIVAIR NEGOTIATIONS IN WASHINGTON
WEEK OF JUNE 19, SUBJECT TO AGREEMENT ON AGENDA AND
QUOTE CLARIFICATION OF ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED UNQUOTE.

2. TEXT OF LETTER FOLLOWS:

BEGIN TEXT. RE: USA-BELGIUM CIVIL AVIATION AGREEMENT
IN REPLY TO YOUR LETTER OF MAY 31ST, 1978 I AM IN A
POSITION TO INFORM YOU THAT THE BELGIAN DELEGATION IS
PREPARED TO RESUME CONSULTATIONS AT ANY PROPER TIME,
INCLUDING THE SUGGESTED DATES DURING THE WEEK OF JUNE
19, PROVIDED THAT THE AGENDA OF SUBJECTS TO BE DISCUSSED
HAS BEEN SET UP IN DUE COURSE, AND RESPECTIVE POSITIONS
HAVE BEEN CLARIFIED IN A SATISFACTORY WAY TO BOTH
PARTIES.

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AS YOU ARE AWARE, OUR PREVIOUS TALKS IN MARCH OF THIS YEAR
HAD NOT BEEN PREPARED WITH SUFFICIENT CARE AND
CONSEQUENTLY NO SATISFACTORY ARRANGEMENT COULD BE REACHED.

IN ORDER TO AVOID THE SAME MISHAP THE BELGIAN DELEGATION
CONSIDERS IT MIGHT BE DESIRABLE TO HAVE, AS SOON AS
POSSIBLE, SOME CLARIFICATION ON THE ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED

AND WOULD WELCOME ANY PROPOSAL OF THE UNITED STATES
GOVERNMENT IN THIS RESPECT.

FROM A BELGIAN POINT OF VIEW, THE AGENDA SHOULD INCLUDE
THE FOLLOWING SUBJECTS: ROUTE AND OPERATING RIGHTS,
NON DISCRIMINATION AND LIBERALIZATION OF CHARTER RULES,
ADDITIONAL ACCESS FOR THE BELGIAN AIRLINE TO INTERNATIONAL
AMERICAN GATEWAYS. END TEXT.

3. PLEASE ADVISE ASAP WITH U.S. VIEWS ON AGENDA AND
CLARIFICATIONS OF POSITION AS REQUESTED IN PENULTIMATE
PARAGRAPH OF LETTER.

4. COMMENT; WE ASSUME BELGIAN REQUEST FOR CLARIFICATION
MEANS THAT THEY WANT TO BE FOREWARNED OF ANY NEW ITEMS
U.S. MAY WISH TO RAISE, I.E., THEY WISH TO AVOID THE
SURPRISES OF THE MARCH ROUND OF NEGOTIATIONS. DE TARR

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